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**REQUEST  
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| Application Number     | 10/685,969       |
| Filing Date            | October 15, 2003 |
| First Named Inventor   | HELMUT HOLZER    |
| Art Unit               | 2876             |
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**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

**1. [Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114]**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other

**2. [Miscellaneous]**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months: Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. [Fees]** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) | 09/15/2005 MBIZUNES 00000095 10685969
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) | 01 FC:1801 790.00 OP
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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